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Rising Stars are named

Culinary magazine StarChefs.com announced its 2010 Los Angeles-San Diego Rising Stars winners in Santa Monica. StarChefs announces Rising Stars in four cities each year; former Los Angeles winners include David LeFevre of the Water Grill, mixologist Vincenzo Marianella and pastry chef Elizabeth Belkind.

This year's winning chefs: Kuniko Yagi of Sona; Jon Shook and Vinny Dotolo, Ani-

mal; Ken Takayama, Melisse; Walter Manzke, Church & State; Rory Herrmann, Bouchon; Diana Stavaridis, BLD; Stephan Samson and Zachary Pollack, Pizzeria Ortica; and Michael Voltaggio, the Dining Room at the Langham. San Diego winners were Jason Knibb of Nine-Ten and William Bradley, Addison.

The winning pastry chefs: Jordan Kahn of XIV and Adrian Vasquez of Providence.

Awards also were handed to mixologists Julian Cox of Rivera and Eric Alperin of the Varnish, as well as sommelier Jesse Rodriguez of Addison and Christopher Miller, Spago.